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FUNCTION, DATA MANAGING DEVICE ASSOCIATED WITH THE DATA  
PROCESSING DEVICE AND COMPUTER PROGRAM

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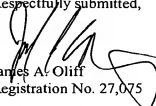
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- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language references is discussed in the present specification. (Refs. 1-2)
- ☒ 3. English-language Abstracts of the non-English language references are attached hereto. (Refs. 1-2)
- ☒ 4. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office (<http://www.jpo.go.jp>), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference 1.

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